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1. The large airfield in the Bydgoskie suburb of Torun, about five kilometers west of the center of the city, is occupied half by the Polish Air Force and half by the Soviet Air Force. There are an unknown number of concrete runways on the Soviet half; the runways on the Polish half are covered with slag and are in the process of being surfaced with concrete. On the Soviet half of the field are three rebuilt hangars and several others under construction with a total capacity of about 25 airplanes. About four hangars have been rebuilt on the Polish half of the field; of these, two are for airplanes, one for gliders and one for use as a workshop. The Polish Air Force has stationed at the field five single-engine bombers of Soviet make and a number of gliders. The Soviet Air Force has about 30 single- and twin-engine bombers and 15 single-engine fighters at the field. Soviet personnel is quartered in huts in the forest west of the field.
2. Dzwinnow Airfield on Wolin Island is about two kilometers square. It is equipped with five hangars, and about five Kuluruznik trainers and two or three single-engine fighters are stationed there.
3. A Soviet airfield near Dojlidy (S54/G46) covers an area of about 3 km by 4 km south of the Dojnowo estate, and extending northward to the Bialystok-Dojlidy Fabryczne highway. An asphalt strip runway about two kilometers long and 400 meters wide runs through the middle of the field and is divided into four strips. Concrete runways are located at the sides of the airfield. The field is occupied by a Soviet Air Force regiment, quartered in brick and wood buildings in the forest about two kilometers northwest of the airfield. The regiment is equipped with IL and YAK bombers and fighters and transport planes. The fighters are grouped on the north and south sides of the field; bombers and transports are parked in the middle. Repair shops are located in a large tent on the field. Across the Bialystok-Dojlidy Fabryczne railroad are nine or ten brick buildings used for storing equipment and lubricants. Underground fuel tanks are located under two of the buildings and behind several others. Alongside the buildings are garages for over thirty tank trucks.

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4. There is a small Soviet landing field at Swarzedz (P53/X36) at which a Soviet liaison detachment is stationed. Four fighter planes are kept ready for flight at the field. Mail was observed being transferred from a plane arriving from the direction of Warsaw to another which took off in a westerly direction.
5. The airfield at Legnica covers an area of about two by three kilometers south of General Swierczewskiego Street.* About 45 single-engine fighter planes are kept under tarpaulins at the field in addition to four or five twin-engine bombers and a biplane trainer, which are kept in the large hangar. There are three small hangars and one large hangar at the field. Frequent training flights and practice in firing at a towed sleeve and weekly practice parachute jumps executed singly from a trainer was observed. Anti-aircraft guns are placed on three platforms during exercises.
6. A Soviet military airfield is located at Krosno (R50/Z74). It covers an area of about five by two and one-half kilometers and is equipped with ten large hangars, of which five were destroyed and are under reconstruction. Thirty II single-engine planes are stationed at the field, which is guarded by Polish military sentries.
7. A Soviet airfield is located about 12 km northwest of Wieszau (Radwanice) in the vicinity of Glogau (Glogow). This field, formerly a German base which is now being enlarged, is occupied by 20 twin-engine bombers and about 30 biplanes. Bombing and strafing are practiced in the vicinity of the field.
8. A Soviet military headquarters unit of about 30 men, half of whom are officers, is located in Katowice, at Zankowa Street. A Soviet infantry regiment is stationed about four kilometers south of Zary railroad station. Also at Zary is a Soviet tank regiment equipped with T-34 tanks.

* Comment: It seems probable that this is the Polish name for Immelmann Strasse which has been reported previously as leading to the Legnica airfield.

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